

Superior, Dec., 13

Hon. B. B. Moeur, Governor.

Dear Sir:

The petition for removal here of Mrs. Simons, local State Relief Chairman, am advised today is filed with you by citizens. Much criticism has been made of relief here, as elsewhere.

However the situation is there isn't a fourth enough funds to furnish employment to those needing relief here and necessarily large numbers cannot be given any relief who feel they are discriminated against because they cannot get relief.

Mrs. Simons, at a public meeting held here to consider further relief, Nov. 20 stated she had 225 on her relief lists;

Of these she was able to furnish work 2 to 5 days month to but about a third of them; 250 more were registered then with local N.R.A. with no employment. Naturally those who could not be employed on relief work felt they were discriminated against by the chairman..... Such a feeling must necessarily exist among them under these conditions.....

Relief officers of course are not to blame for these conditions and hungry, destitute citizens are not amenable to reason.

While government N.R.A. employment and a few more men put on at the mine has changed conditions since Nov. 20 we still have something like 350 unemployed; Mr. Dan Sullivan, Dec '9, advised me 175 were still on N.R.A. unemployed list; No additional men have been put on State relief. Mr. Sullivan is county N.R.A. chairman.

Our unemployed registrations are practically all citizens; It is a policy here, with so many citizens who cannot get any relief at all to restrict relief employment to citizens; This too is an N.R.A. rule; And on public work our state laws forbid the employment of aliens;..... Much alien criticism is leveled against the local chairman of relief. They think they should be employed even if our own citizens starve.

Half the employment now in the Magma Copper Co repair work here is aliens; And their notice of resumption on Jan. 1 says all employment is restricted to "those employed in June of this year"; That includes 300 aliens out of a full force of 600.

Two thirds of all here registered for relief, and N.R.A. are shut out of the mines by the Magma's policy; They employ the aliens and bar our citizens.

We should have very little citizen unemployment here as elsewhere if it were not for this mass alien employment policy in mines, railways, agriculture etc;

Many young men whom I talked to passing through here to and from the C.C. government camps say but for this they wouldnt be necessary as they would have employment in their home communities; But the Mexicans have their jobs at home and they are forced into the C.C. camps where now are 8000 of them in Arizona.

In front of my house in Superior, Governor, is a highway bridge where hitch-hikers catch rides; I must have seen 2000 such there in the past year going on east and I dont see a third of them that do go through both ways; I only see those going east that are dropped by local cars;

Out of all these I dont think over 20 were foreigners; All the others were Americans; I talked with hundreds of them; All gave much the same story, saying everywhere they saw thousands of aliens, Mexicans Filipinos, Japs, Chinese etc employed while they had to hitch-hike and starve.

O.A. Smith, an American from Empria Kan. said he hitched 2 months vainly for a job, applying many places thruout California and Ariz. while he must have seen 20.000 Mexicans, Filipinos and Japs employed in all kinds of industries; He was told many places they employed nothing else and it was no use for him to expect any job with them.

Myron, King hitched from Kansa City west along the Santa Fe railway to Los Angeles vainly looking for work of any kind; He said that railway had 20.000 Mexicans employed all along their lines and some Japs while the roads were lined with tens of thousands of Americans hitching and straying without any employment and willing to do anything.

Vincent Burden, a skilled mechanic, with tools in his car was going home after 3 months search for work and said out of 57 men in the S.P. shops at Tucson but 6 were white Americans and he was refused any employment there; Everywhere he went aliens were freely employed as mechanics and helpers but no job for an American citizen.

It is American citizens that are put on the bum and in the Bread lines by this mass alien employment; 3 1/2 million aliens are employed in this U.S., 500.000 of them Mexicans; And they have crowded 10 millions of Americans into our Relief lines.

Such conditions simply are not allowed in any other country; We stand alone in the fatuous and stupid belief that we should "take care of the aliens". In this country we have beggared 10. millions of Americans and condemned them permanent ly to the Bread Lines by this, while bankrupting ourselves to support these indigent masses of citizens who are thus thrust into the Bread line by Mass Alien employment.

FOR THIS ALIEN EMPLOYMENT BEING BASIS OF MASS ALIEN EMPLOYMENT:
 NO SHORING UP OF ALIEN EMPLOYMENT POLICY IF MASS ALIEN

More aliens now are employed in Arizona, in most communities, than the entire lists of citizen unemployed; Our agricultural regions swarm with alien workers; The railways employ them in thousands; Hitherto and now, our mine employment is largely aliens and in some mines has reached 80%.

We are under no obligation to employ and support by charity these alien masses, the direct result of which is to drive equal numbers of Americans on charity and leave them without work or hope of it with this super burden of Aliens ready to take any job at any price when idle, and who crowd out our citizens from any employment.

We are under the most solemn obligation to take care of our own citizens; That is government's first duty, recognized and enforced in the labor field and business by every other government long since..... We should do so; In no other way can we 'clean up' this situation; Strict citizen employment in all public and private industry and works and wholesale deportations of all indigent aliens is the only solution;

It is the solution made long since by about every other government I am inclosing a brief of their drastic, effective measures which resulted in great benefit to these countries; They employed their own people; They deported the aliens.

We should, as in 1921 deport alien indigents; 150,000 Mexicans then were repatriated; Every effort should be made by our State Administration to accomplish this which is now receiving serious consideration by the Federal Government; The cost of maintaining 800,000 Mexican indigents on charity all or part time in the Southwest in 3 years has been \$150 millions; A much more relief too expended for American indigents thrust into the Bread lines by Mass Alien employment; All these aliens could have been deported in the first instance, just as France did, just as Germany did, just as Mexico did, just as Canada did for 5% of that cost, and the vast poverty and privation necessarily caused our own citizens largely prevented.

Our Relief, vast as it is not only perpetuates these conditions but is simply a subsidy to Mass Alien employment and largely also to Citizen Poverty caused by that mass employment. Every alien employed simply means that an American must be left in the Relief lines; We are bankrupting ourselves by taxes, charity, government Relief funds etc, in this Sisyphus task.

Yours very truly,

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